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Hon. Anthony Foxx Office of the Secretary of Transportation 1200 New Jersey Ave, SE Washington, DC 20590

Dear Secretary Foxx,

I would like to express my complete support for the City of Hoboken's application for a TIGER Grant for the Complete Street Redesign of Washington Street. This will be a tremendous benefit not only to the City of Hoboken, but also the children that attend Hoboken Charter School, which is located on Washington Street.

As the Executive Director of the Hoboken Charter School, I am confident that the redesign of Washington Street would greatly enhance the safety of the children attending the school. The redesign would implement greater traffic signalization and improved pedestrian safety measures, a critical component of the plan which would aid the children as they cross the street. When implemented, Washington Street will also have high visibility crosswalks and pedestrian countdown timers, which do not currently exist. This would be highly beneficial to children and their parents, who must look at the traffic lights high above the street when they cross the road, a difficult and sometimes dangerous task.

Washington Street serves not only as a critical road for the Hoboken Charter School, but is also a vital mode of transportation for residents as they go in and out of the city. Many parents of the children are some of the 14,000 residents that use Washington Street every day to get to work, who would greatly benefit from this redesign. We see firsthand how important Washington Street is to our city each and every day, and are hopeful that this project will be moving forward.

Please do not hesitate to get in touch with me if you have any further questions regarding this project. Once again, on behalf of Hoboken Charter School, thank you for your strong consideration of this project.

Singerely,

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